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What's Your Idea? Take It On! Contest Culminates with Awards

ARLINGTON – How handy would it be to have a solar-powered pencil sharpener? Or a device that instantly translated languages? Those are just two of the winning ideas from students being honored at the Fifth Annual Entrepreneurship Day on Saturday March 5. More than 1,200 people are expected to attend the ceremony beginning at 2 p.m. at the Arlington Convention Center. Arlington Independent School District Superintendent Jerry McCullough and Arlington Chamber of Commerce President Wes Jurey will recognize 3rd-6th grade student winners and semi-finalists of the “What’s Your Idea? Take It On!” essay and art contest.

More than 1,100 students entered the contest organized by the Arlington Chamber of Commerce and the Arlington Independent School District to encourage the entrepreneurial creativity in young people. Saturday’s event will recognize 250 semifinalists and the 24 top winners will receive prize packages from Arlington entertainment venues, including the Texas Rangers and Six Flags.

More than 70% of young Americans envision starting a business or becoming entrepreneurs when they are adults. Our program is part of Kid Entrepreneurs Week that challenges youth from around the world to unleash their ideas and make a difference in the world and in free enterprise.

Pre-ceremony entertainment features the Lamar High School Jazz Ensemble and appearances from Rangers Captain, the Texas Rangers mascot and Looney Tunes Characters from Six Flags.

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